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Statement of Mayor Scott Silverthorne on Decision to Relocate Paul VI High School to Loudoun County

FAIRFAX, Va. — City of Fairfax Mayor Scott Silverthorne today expressed deep disappointment with the decision by the Catholic Diocese of Arlington, announced today, to close the current Paul VI High School campus located in the city by the year 2020 and build a new school in Loudoun County.

“We have worked in good faith with the PVI community to encourage the Diocese to allow the school to stay in Fairfax. While the decision is deeply disappointing, it’s also not unexpected,” said Silverthorne, who has spoken with Bishop Paul Loverde of the Diocese about the decision, pledging to work with the Diocese to make the transition as smooth as possible.

Silverthorne noted that any future land use approval decisions about the campus will ultimately reside with the City Council after considerable input from the community.

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